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Honorable Anne K. Quinlan, Esq
Acting Secretary
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395 East Street, SW
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RE STB Docket No AB-55 (Sub-No 603X), *CSX Transportation, Inc -
Abandonment Exemption - in Webster County, WV*

Dear Acting Secretary Quinlan

CSX Transportation, Inc (CSXT) filed a notice of exemption under 49 CFR 1152 Subpart F-Exempt Abandonments to abandon approximately 10.5 miles of railroad between milepost BUG-0.0 at Cowen and milepost BUG -10.5 at Bolair, in Webster County, WV. Notice of the exemption was served and published in the Federal Register on February 11, 2002.

By decision served March 12, 2002, the proceeding was reopened at the request of the Board's Section of Environmental Analysis (SEA) and the exemption was made subject to various historical preservation and environmental conditions.

On July 30, 2002, a decision and notice of interim trail use or abandonment (NITU) was served reopening the proceeding and authorizing a 180-day period for Webster County Chamber of Commerce (Webster County) to negotiate an interim trail use/rail banking agreement with CSXT for the entire right-of-way involved. Subsequently, the parties to the NITU were granted several extensions of the NITU deadline. Unfortunately, the parties were unable to reach agreement, and neither party decided to request a further extension.

Accordingly, CSXT hereby notifies the Board that it has now satisfied the remaining environmental condition in the March 12, 2002 decision, that no further conditions to exercising its abandonment authority exist, and therefore CSXT will exercise its abandonment authority as of the date of this letter.

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CSXT is e-filing this letter. Thank you for your assistance. If you have any questions please call or email me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "S. Armbrust", written over a horizontal line.

Steven C. Armbrust

cc Parties of Record